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**Today's Receipts.**

Sch. Lucinda L. Lowell, Jordan Riv-  
er, N. S., 311 bbls. salt herring.  
Sch. Paragon, Quero Bank, 45,000  
lbs. halibut, 5000 lbs. salt cod, 1000  
lbs. fresh fish.  
Sch. George H. Lubee, shore.  
Sch. Hope, shore.  
Sch. Emily Cooney, shore.  
Sch. Viking, shore.  
Sch. Teresa and Alice, shore.  
Sch. Margaret Dillon, shore.  
Sch. Mertis H. Perry, shore.  
Sch. Flora J. Sears, shore.  
Sch. Edith Silveira, shore.  
Sch. Maud F. Silva, shore.  
Sch. Emily Sears, shore.  
Sch. Ethel B. Penney, shore.

**Today's Fish Market.**

Ground pollock, 55 cts. per cwt.; gut-  
ted, 60 cents.  
Salt Georges cod, large \$4.00, medi-  
ums, \$3.00.  
Bank halibut, 10 1-2 cts. per lb. for  
white and 8 1-2 cts. for gray.  
Salt pollock, \$1.50; salt haddock,  
\$1.50.  
Eastern salt shack trip cod, \$3.25  
per cwt. for large and \$3.00 for mar-  
kets.  
Splitting prices for fresh fish, West-  
ern cod, large \$1.75; mediums,  
\$1.37 1-2; Eastern cod, large \$1.75;  
medium \$1.37 1-2; cusk, \$1.60 for large,  
\$1.10 for medium and 50 cts. for snap-  
pers; haddock, 80 cts.; hake, 75 cts.;  
pollock, 70 cts.  
Eastern deck handline cod, \$4.00 for  
large and \$3.00 for medium.

**Boston Arrivals.**

Sch. Raymah, 40,000 haddock, 10,000  
cod.  
Sch. Mildred V. Nunan, 7000 haddock,  
500 cod, 7000 hake.  
Sch. Mary T. Fallon, 5000 haddock,  
1000 cod, 1000 pollock.  
Sch. Rose Standish, 5000 cod.  
Sch. Lillian, 5000 cod.  
Sch. Valentina, 1000 haddock, 5000  
cod, 1000 pollock.  
Sch. Olive F. Hutchins, 10,000 had-  
dock, 2000 cod, 2000 hake.  
Sch. Helen B. Thomas, 8000 haddock,  
1000 cod, 3000 hake.  
Haddock, \$2.00 to \$3.00 per cwt.;  
large cod, \$4.00 to \$4.25; market cod,  
\$2.50 to \$3.25; hake, \$2.25 to \$5.00; pol-  
lock, \$3.00.

In 1852 the Frenzee system of len-  
ticular glasses was introduced from  
France, and still remains, and it is  
impossible for a keeper to maintain  
poor light with this apparatus with-  
out flagrant disobedience to instruc-  
tions.

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**Today's Receipts.**

Sch. Gladiator, Green Bank, 24,000  
lbs. halibut.  
Sch. Olive F. Hutchins, via Bos-  
ton.  
Sch. Thomas Brundage, shore.  
Sch. Mary E. Cooney, shore.  
Sch. Maud F. Silva, shore.  
Sch. Edith Silveira, shore.  
Sch. Walter P. Goulart, shore.  
Sch. Flora J. Sears, shore.  
Sch. Frances P. Mosquita, shore.  
Sch. Belbina P. Domingoes, shore.  
Sch. Buema, shore.  
Sch. Mary Edith, shore.  
Sch. Rita A. Viator, shore.  
Sch. Emily Cooney, shore.  
Sch. Hope, shore.  
Sch. Viking, shore.  
Sch. Georgianna, shore.  
Sch. Ida M. Silva, shore.  
Sch. Motor, shore.  
Sch. Flavilla, shore.  
Sch. Mina Swim, shore.  
Sch. Reliance, shore.  
Sch. Julietta, shore.

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ted, 60 cents.  
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ums, \$3.00.  
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white and 8 1-2 cts. for gray.  
Salt pollock, \$1.50; salt haddock,  
\$1.50.  
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per cwt. for large and \$3.00 for mar-  
kets.  
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ern cod, large \$1.75; mediums,  
\$1.37 1-2; Eastern cod, large \$1.75;  
medium \$1.37 1-2; cusk, \$1.60 for large,  
\$1.10 for medium and 50 cts. for snap-  
pers; haddock, 80 cts.; hake, 75 cts.;  
pollock, 70 cts.  
Eastern deck handline cod, \$4.00 for  
large and \$3.00 for medium.

**Boston Arrivals.**

Sch. Catherine D. Enos, 1500 had-  
dock, 2000 cod.  
Sch. Pontiac.  
Sch. Tecumseh, 4000 cod.  
Sch. Natalie J. Nelson, 30,000 had-  
dock, 5000 cod.  
Sch. Juniata, 5000 haddock, 200  
cod.  
Sch. M. Madeliene, 500 haddock,  
6000 cod.  
Sch. Sadie M. Nunan, 12,000 had-  
dock, 4000 cod, 4000 hake.  
Sch. Manomet, 4000 haddock, 3000  
cod, 1000 hake.  
Sch. Victor and Ethan, 7000 had-  
dock, 1500 cod.  
Sch. Aspinet, 7000 haddock, 1000  
cod, 4000 hake.  
Sch. Galatea, 10,000 haddock, 200  
cod, 200 hake.  
Sch. Athena, 5000 haddock, 1000  
cod.  
Sch. Seaconnet, 8000 haddock, 500  
cod.  
Sch. Hortense, 8000 haddock, 1000  
cod, 1000 hake.  
Sch. Richard J. Nunan, 20,000 had-  
dock, 2000 cod, 7000 hake.  
Sch. On Time, 3000 cod.  
Sch. Eddie A. Minot, 7000 cod.  
Haddock, \$2 to \$3.15 per cwt.; large  
cod, \$3.25 to \$4; market cod, \$1.50 to  
\$2; hake, \$2.50 to \$5.

**PORT OF GLOUCESTER.**

**Arrived Today.**

Sch. Gatherer, Ipswich for Boston.  
Sch. Herman Kimball, Rockport,  
Me., for Boston.  
Sch. Mattie J. Alles, Provincetown  
for Portland.  
Br/ sch. Tasmania, Boston for  
Lunenburg, N. S.

**Small Pox at Newfoundland.**

According to information brought  
by the steamer Bruce from Port Au  
Basque, N. F., to Sydney, C. B., a  
small pox epidemic is raging in New-  
foundland, and 350 cases are reported  
in that colony. Most of the cases  
were in the vicinity of Ramea on the  
southwest coast.  
At Port au Basque four cases had  
developed, but no fatalities. The  
disease is of the usual type, and the  
authorities are using every precau-  
tion to stamp it out.  
The locality where it is reported is  
where Gloucester fishermen usually  
call in early spring, so that the  
above notice will be a warning for  
them to keep clear of that infected  
zone.

**DEADLOCK ON FISHERIES**

**Proposed Agreement Not Satisfactory  
to Newfoundland Government**

St. John's, Jan. 29.—The colonial  
government has not given its assent,  
as yet, to the proposed fishery agree-  
ment between Great Britain and the  
United States, and the opinion is ex-  
pressed in some quarters that it will  
fail.

Premier Bond and his cabinet de-  
cline to discuss the situation for pub-  
lication, but it is admitted in gov-  
ernment circles that a deadlock ex-  
ists.

The opposition press holds the view-  
point that Bond is unwilling to allow  
claims of American vessel owners for  
damages caused by the detention of  
schooners to be submitted to The  
Hague for arbitration.

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**TIMES FISH BUREAU.**

**Today's Receipts.**

Sch. Thomas J. Carroll, shore.  
Sch. Winnifred, shore.  
Sch. Catherine D. Enos, shore.

**Today's Fish Market.**

Ground pollock, 55 cts. per cwt.; gut-  
ted, 60 cents.  
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ums, \$3.00.  
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\$1.10 for medium and 50 cts. for snap-  
pers; haddock, 80 cts.; hake, 75 cts.;  
pollock, 70 cts.  
Eastern deck handline cod, \$4.00 for  
large and \$3.00 for medium.

**Boston Arrivals.**

Sch. Romance, 25,000 haddock, 10,-  
000 cod.  
Sch. Dictator, 10,000 hake, 4000  
cusk, 22,000 halibut.  
Sch. Blanche F. Irving, 8000 cod.  
Shore haddock, left over from  
Thursday, \$3.50 per cwt.; hake, \$3;  
cusk, \$1.50; halibut, 10 and 8 cts. per  
lb.

**PORT OF GLOUCESTER.**

**Arrived Today.**

Steamer Reliance, Boston for Port-  
land.  
Steamer Massasoit, Eastport for  
Boston.  
Sch. Samuel Castner, Jr., Calais for  
Port Chester.  
Sch. G. M. Coster, Calais for Port  
Chester.

**Large Codfish.**

Sch. Seaconnet, which arrived at  
Boston yesterday, had some good  
sized codfish, two out of the trip  
weighing over 45 pounds, while two  
others went 51 pounds each.

**RECORD PRICE FOR BAIT.**

Two Bushels of Squid Sold for \$50. at  
Provincetown.

The limit in the price of fresh bait  
was reached a few days ago at Pro-  
vincetown, when two bushels of squid,  
or about two thirds of a barrel, sold  
from John Williams' trap for the un-  
heard of price of \$50. There must have  
been some bidding and the shore fisher-  
men must have wanted fresh bait worse  
than they ever did before.

**Halibut Fare at Boston.**

Sch. Dictator, Capt. Fred Thompson,  
who went out the first week in this  
month, arrived at Boston yesterday  
afternoon with a snug fare, 22,000  
pounds of halibut and 10,000 pounds of  
fresh fish. She fished on Quero bank  
and Capt. Thompson reports bad wea-  
ther. The fish brought 10 cents per  
pound for white and 8 cents for gray.

**Scarcity of Fishing Arrivals.**

About as dull as can be is the situa-  
tion in the fishing arrival line, both here  
and at Boston this morning, for there  
are no vessels in here with fish, and the  
only one to show up at T wharf is sch.  
Romance of this port, a week out, with  
35,000 pounds of fresh fish. Friday is  
not much of a market day, but Capt.  
Corkum will get something out of the  
trip all right.

**Shore Boats Iced Up.**

Some of the shore boats came in  
here this morning pretty well iced up,  
showing that the temperature outside  
was good and frosty.

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**UNCLE SAM'S CHAIN OF LIGHT  
HOUSES.**

The goal toward which the Light-  
house Board of this country is striv-  
ing is a continuous chain of light-  
houses, completely encircling the  
United States and possessions, and in  
the case of rivers and inland seas  
bounding the waters on all sides, so  
that a ship may never leave the area  
of a light thrown by one lighthouse  
before entering the circle of the light  
of another. As fast as congress will  
appropriate the money the gaps are  
being filled.

It is frequently asked of lighthouse  
keepers why electricity is not used  
in place of oil. The answer is that  
an electric light is expensive to in-  
stall and difficult and expensive to  
maintain. There is always difficulty  
in keeping the arc exactly in the fo-  
cal point of the lenses, the carbons  
never burning twice alike and con-  
stant watching being necessary. Failure  
to have the light sources ex-  
actly alike in the focal point of the  
lens results in sending the light rays  
up or down, instead of straight out  
where they are wanted.

Electricity, while superior in pen-  
etrative power in a fog, has no ad-  
vantage over a powerful oil lantern  
in clear weather. Mineral oil, colza  
oil, or lard oil lights of the first order  
could be seen for a hundred miles,  
were it not for the curvature of the  
earth, and as long as the light is vis-  
ible long before the coast is, all pur-  
poses are served.

It is only within recent years that  
mineral oil has been in use for light  
houses. Lard oil succeeded colza oil  
and was used exclusively up to 1880,  
and with mineral oil up to 1889.  
Since the latter year mineral oil has  
been used entirely, except where elec-  
tricity has been experimented with  
or coal oil, or acetylene gas. So far  
coal oil, for power efficiency, ease of  
operation and cheapness holds its  
own against all other means of light  
making.



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Halibut Sale.

The fare of halibut of sch. Gladiator was not sold yesterday, but was bought this morning by the American Halibut Co. at 10 cents per pound for white and 8 cents per pound for gray.

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NEWFOUNDLAND  
STILL BLOCKS.  
BOND CAUSES DEADLOCK

IN DESIRED FISHERY  
LEGISLATION.  
CLAIMS FOR DETENTION  
OF AMERICAN  
VESSELS THE HINDRANCE.

The Newfoundland government has not yet given its assent to the proposed fishery agreement between Great Britain and the United States, and the opinion is expressed in some quarters at St. John's that it will fail. Premier Bond and his cabinet decline to discuss the situation for publication, but it is admitted in government circles that a deadlock exists.

The opposition papers to the premier state that he is unwilling to allow claims of American vessel owners for damages caused by the detention of schooners, to be submitted to The Hague for arbitration.

At Washington there is the gravest concern, for it is admitted that this work of several years, now finally accomplished, really hangs on the action of Premier Bond, and it is plainly intimated that strong pressure must be brought to bear on him, to save the treaty.

That the document is broad and open and does not favor the Gloucester interests is evidenced from the

fact that Washington dispatches state that the action of the Massachusetts senators in approving its provisions can be called nothing short of unanimous.

Washington dispatches farther state that while both the secretary of state and the British ambassador have signed the fisheries treaty, Mr. Root agreed that the convention should not be sent to the senate until the ambassador informed the department of state that the Newfoundland government had approved its provisions. Mr. Root said that he regarded the course of Mr. Bryce as a notable courtesy to himself, as it enabled him to sign the convention in the negotiation of which he had had so large a part. Such a step, Mr. Root declared was almost without precedent and this made it the greater compliment to

Mr. Root explained to the senate from a draft of the convention, its provisions. The explanation was so convincing that there seems to be little likelihood of obstacles to the ratification of the convention, provided, of course, that they are not prevented by Premier Bond.

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REVIEW OF  
HERRING FISHERY.  
RECEIPTS  
OF  
BOTH FROZEN AND SALT  
MUCH BELOW  
PREVIOUS SEASON.  
PRICES ON SALT BULK  
HERRING  
SHOWED MARKED INCREASE.

Owing to a much smaller fleet engaged in the Newfoundland herring fishery than last season, the receipts of salt and frozen herring for the present season is considerably less than that of last. Not only has the American fleet been smaller, but the Canadian fleet was also much shortened up in numbers and catch as well.

Last season there were no disasters, but this season two American vessels, sch. M. B. Stetson of Bucksport, Me., and sch. Robin Hood of Eastport, Me., have been wrecked and the British sch. Swallow has been lost with her whole crew of seven men.

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The salt herring vessels were bothered greatly the first of the season by scarcity of herring, and indeed at very few times during the whole season were herring what could be called really plentiful as on many occasions in past seasons. This year the vessels had no trouble in getting all the fishermen they wanted and officially and otherwise there was little friction.

Comparative Table.

The following comparative tables will be found of interest:

|  | 1908.  | 1909.  |
|--|--------|--------|
| Number of American vessels engaged .....       | 50     | 43     |
| Number of trips made by American vessels ..... | 50     | 45     |
| Number making two trips ..                     | 7      | 4      |
| Number cargoes here in British bottoms .....   | 11     | 2      |
| Number of British vessels chartered .....      | 5      | 0      |
| Number of British vessels not chartered .....  | 6      | 2      |
| Number of American vessels lost .....          | 0      | 2      |
| Number of British vessels lost .....           | 0      | 1      |
| Number of vessels frozen in .....              | 0      | 0      |
| Total number of fares at American ports .....  | 68     | 48     |
| Salt Herring.                                  |        |        |
| Barrels Barrels                                |        |        |
| Landed by American vessels .....               | 44,850 | 31,775 |
| Landed by British vessels .....                | 7,861  | 780    |
| Total .....                                    | 52,711 | 32,555 |

Frozen Herring.

|                                  | Barrels | Barrels |
|----------------------------------|---------|---------|
| Landed by American vessels ..... | 27,515  | 13,735  |
| Landed by British vessels .....  | 5,375   | 1,150   |
| Total .....                      | 32,890  | 14,885  |

Grand total, (salt and frozen) .....

The figures in the above tables refer only to vessels bringing fares to or bound to American ports.

In addition to the Newfoundland herring accounted for in the figures above, two American vessels from Jordan River, N. S., landed 711 barrels of salt herring and 100 barrels of frozen herring at this port.

There are yet three or four cargoes, or part cargoes of frozen herring held at Lunenburg, N. S., in British bottoms, estimated at 2000 barrels, some of which may come to Boston later in the season.

Sch. Alice R. Lawson, now on her second trip, and not having yet reached Bay of Islands, N. F., is not counted in the first table among the total number of trips made by American vessels.

Last season salt bulk herring in cargo lots, brought from \$2.37 1-2 to \$4.25 per bbl., the bottom dropping out of the price before the season was half over. This season the first cargoes of salt bulk herring brought \$4 per barrel, remained firm at that figure for a time, and rose this month to \$4.50 per barrel, believed to be

The Highest Price Ever Paid.

The only exceptions to these prices this season were in two cases, where the two cargoes were sold before the vessels started on the voyage at a stipulated figure; one getting \$3.25 and the other a little better.

Last season frozen herring in cargo lots sold at from \$2.25 to \$3.50 per hundred pounds. This year early pan frozen goods were shipped to fill orders in lots, at \$4 per hundred pounds. Boston is understood to be offering \$2.25 for cargo lots, while two vessels open at New York are getting \$3.50. The supply is very short and of extra fine quality, and with some cold weather, an advance is looked for, as vessel owners generally, are holding on to their goods.

Trade in smoked bloaters has been, and is good, making the salt herring season a profitable one for vessels and shippers. The frozen herring season looks good with the chances of looking better.

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BEACH IS THE PEOPLE'S.

We have long maintained that whatever might be the present validity of title of the owners of private estates on the ocean front, the inherent title was in the people at large; i. e., the general public, who might wish to sojourn there for health or pleasure. And so we have urged, that whether or not, the titles in private estates were now valid, the public should see to it that there was no further encroachment; that this much was owed to the public at large.

A decision has just been handed down by the New York court of appeals which indicates that the court is in harmony with the idea that primary rights in the beaches are vested in the public, and that even if private enterprise has encroached upon the water front, it has no right to remain there. The decision was unanimous, and applies to every bit of water front which is reached by the ebb and flow of the tide, and is to the effect that all barriers, such as fences, bulk heads or other obstacle which extends across the beach and prevents walking upon it at high tide, are illegal and must be removed. The court found that any pier or superstructure which prevented the public from free access to the beaches may be removed by the authorities or may become a basis for damages by an owner of adjoining property if it interfere with his bathing, boating, or fishing.

The case which occasioned the decision was the result of an action of tort brought several years ago by John A. Barnes against the Midland Terminal Company, which had built a resort known as "Midland Beach" on Staten Island and erected a wall which shut out the patrons of an adjoining resort and also built a pier which ran across the beach. Under this decision all obstructions will have to be removed so that one can walk from Manhattan to Coney Island without being obliged to make a detour to avoid intermediate resorts.

If this be the law in New York, why may it not be law here? We believe it is; and we doubt very much whether it cannot be extended in application to another set of circumstances.

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TIMES FISH BUREAU.

Today's Receipts.

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Sch. Romance, via Boston.  
Sch. Dictator, via Boston.  
Sch. Margaret Dillon, shore.  
Sch. Flora J. Sears, shore.  
Sch. Edith Silveira, shore.  
Sch. Emily Cooney, shore.  
Sch. Mary E. Cooney, shore.  
Sch. Maud F. Silva, shore.  
Sch. Ida M. Silva, shore.  
Sch. Viking, shore.  
Sch. Emily Sears, shore.  
Sch. Clara G. Silva, shore.  
Sch. Walter P. Goulart, shore.  
Sch. Frances P. Mesquita, shore.  
Sch. Catherine D. Enos, shore.  
Sch. Juniata, shore.  
Sch. Aspinet, shore.  
Sch. Richard J. Nunan, shore.  
Sch. Winnifred, shore.  
Sch. Hortense, shore.  
Sch. Mabel E. Leavitt, shore.  
Sch. Squanto, via Boston.

Today's Fish Market.

Ground pollock, 55 cts. per cwt.; gutted, 60 cents.  
Salt Georges cod, large \$4.00, mediums, \$3.00.  
Bank halibut, 10 1-2 cts. per lb. for white and 8 1-2 cts. for gray.  
Salt pollock, \$1.50; salt haddock, \$1.50.  
Eastern salt shack trip cod, \$3.25